

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 15 May 2023 until 23:59 on Tuesday 16 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 14 May 2023 at 16:03 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions with rain and showers at times throughout the next 5 days. Lower confidence for the timing and detail of the rain and showers.

Headline for Monday 15 May 2023: Cloudy with scattered showers, some heavy or thundery becoming mainly dry and brighter through the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 15 May 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m

Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Heavy rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	40%	30%	20%	10%	10%	10%

Forecast for Monday 15 May 2023

Weather: A mainly cloudy morning with bright spells and scattered showers some heavy or thundery across northern ranges in the early morning. Drier and brighter to the south. The showers ease through the morning with the afternoon becoming mainly dry with increasing sunny spells.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% increasing 60% in the afternoon, the best of any clear periods across southern ranges.

Low Cloud and visibility: A cloudy morning with cloud down to 600-800m this rising to 800-1000m by the middle of the day when cloud begins to break. The visibility will be good, lowering to moderate or poor in heavier showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	17/21 W	18/22 W	20/25 W	19/25 NW	20/28 NW	20/28 NW	19/27 W	17/23 W	22/29 W
900	12/16 W	12/17 W	13/19 W	12/18 NW	17/24 NW	16/24 NW	17/25 W	14/20 W	15/22 W
600	12/16 SW	13/17 SW	12/17 SW	10/15 NW	16/23 W	17/25 W	16/24 W	15/21 W	14/22 SW
300	5/8 W	5/8 SW	6/9 SW	12/20 NW	13/20 NW	14/23 NW	13/21 W	7/12 W	8/14 SW
Glen	4/10 W	3/7 SW	4/10 W	12/22 NW	11/21 NW	13/24 NW	11/21 NW	6/15 W	6/14 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-9	-3/-10	-2/-10	-2/-8	-1/-8	-0/-7	-0/-7	-1/-7	-1/-8
900	1/-4	-0/-5	0/-5	2/-3	3/-2	4/-1	4/-2	2/-2	2/-3
600	3/-1	2/-2	3/-2	4/0	5/1	6/2	6/2	5/1	4/-0
300	5/3	4/2	5/3	7/3	8/4	9/6	8/5	7/5	7/4
Glen	7/6	5/4	7/6	9/7	10/8	12/9	11/9	9/7	8/7
Freezing Level*	900m	800m	900m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1100m	1100m	1100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

It will feel cold with the fresh to strong winds at height.

Forecast for Tuesday 16 May 2023

Weather: Mostly cloudy with scattered showers in the early morning, these gradually clearing to leave the late afternoon dry with sunny periods, particularly across southern and central ranges.

Maximum wind: Northwest 20-25mph gust 35mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% increasing 70% in the afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud 500-700m in the early morning will break, becoming patchy above 1000-1200m in the afternoon. The visibility will fall moderate in heavier showers in the morning, otherwise good outwith any cloud.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to plus 14 Celsius.

At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius.

Freezing level: Above summits.